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1. IN SPEECH TO WEST AFRICAN ECONOMIC COMMUNITY

(CEAO) SUMMIT HELD IN ABIDJAN JUNE 8-9, SENEGALESE

PRESIDENT LEOPOLD SENGHOR ANNOUNCED THAT THE SIX MEMBER

STATES OF THE CEAO(IVORY COAST, SENEGAL, UPPER VOLTA,

NIGER, MALI, MAURITANIA) HAVE DECIDED TO SIGN A "NON-

AGGRESSION AND ASSISTANCE" PACT FOR THEIR MUTUAL SECURITY.

SENGHOR NOTED THAT SECURITY WAS THE ESSENTIAL PRECONDITION

FOR DEVELOPMENT AND WAS A PRINCIPAL PREOCCUPATION TODAY

IN AFRICA, WHICH IS BLOODED BY CONFLICTS IN THE NORTHWEST

AND EASTERN PARTS OF THE CONTINENT.

2. NO FURTHER DETAILS ON THE TERMS AND EXTENT OF THE

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AGREEMENT(OR WHETHER IT HAS YET BEEN SIGNED) HAVE BEEN

RELEASED TO DATE. EMBASSY WILL REPORT FURTHER AS

ADDITIONAL DETAILS BECOME AVAILABLE.

3. COMMENT: THE NONAGGRESSION PACT SEEMS TO HAVE BEEN

A PARTICULAR PREOCCUPATION OF SENGHOR WHO WAS THE ONLY

PRESIDENT TO MENTION THE SUBJECT IN ARRIAL INTER-

VIEW OR IN PUBLISHED ADDRESS TO THE SUMMIT MEETING.
THE NONAGGRESSION PACT WAS NOT MENTIONED IN THE INAL
COMMUNIQUE NOR IN THE CLOSING SPEECH OF NEW CEAO
PRESIDENT MOUSSA TRAORE OF MALI. IVORY COAST ENGAGEMENT
IN THE IDEA APPEARS LESS THAN TOTAL. MINISTER OF DEFENSE
BLE WAS OUT OF THE COUNTRY DURING THE SUMMIT AND MINISTRY
DIRECTOR OF DEFENSE BLEHOUAN, NOMINALLY CHARGED WITH
RESPONSIBILITY FOR SUCH MATTERS, DID NOT ATEND ANY OF
THE MEETINGS. ASKED BY DAO RECENTLY ABOUT RUMORED WEST
AFRICAN MILITARY COOPERATION AGREEMENTS, BLEHOUAN REPLIED
THERE WAS A LOT OF TALK BUT NOTHING MUCH LIKELY TO COME
OF IT. FOR ITS PART, IVORY COAST, ALTHOUGH GREATLY
CONCERNED BY THE PERCEIVED SOVIET/CUBAN SECURITY THREAT
IN AFRICA, IS LESS LIKELY TO PLACE SIGNIFICANT CREDENCE
IN A CEAO NONAGGRESSION PACT THAN IN STRENGTHENED MILITARY
TIES WITH FRANCE. END COMMENT.

4. OTHER ASPECTS OF THE CEAO SUMMIT, WHICH WAS PRE-
CRED BY EXPERT-LEVEL AND MINISTERIAL MEETINGS,
BEING REPORTED SEPTEL. STEARNS

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